consideration of the Government;

(b) if so, by when necessary legislation would be introduced;

(c) the total amount of funds received by the Durgah Committee in the form of donation or gifts or rent on assets during 1996-97, 1997-98 and 1998-99; and

(d) the total number of buildings and shopping complexes owned by Durgah Committee?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (SHRIMATI MANEKA GANDHI): (a) and (b) Yes. Sir. The proposed amendment to Durgah Khwaja Saheb Act is presently under consideration of the Durgah Committee. This Act requires detailed examination at different levels including vetting by Ministry of Law before necessary Legislation is introduced.

(c) Head 1996-97 1997-98 1998-99

Donation : Rs. 33,74,688/- Rs. 32,57,279/- Rs. 40,60,343/- (Nazur Langar & Deg.) Rental: Rs. 47,25,230/- Rs. 51,22,143/- Rs. 57,45,506/- Income from Properties & Guest House.

(d) The Durgah Committee, Durgah Khwaja Saheb Ajmer owns 32 buildings and a Guest House Complex consisting of 7 Blocks, and 3 shopping complexes.

Proposal to Include 'Navsudra' Caste as SC

†389. SHRI MANOHAR KANT DHYANI: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to refer to anwer to Unstarred Question 1918 given in Rajya Sabha on the 20th December, 1999 and state:

(a) whether any proposal from the Government of Uttar Pradesh regarding incorporating "Navsudra" caste as Scheduled Castes, who were displaced from East Bengal, is pending with the Government; and

(b) if not, whether Government would direct the State Government to send such a proposal?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (SHRIMATI MANEKA GANDHI): (a) Yes Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

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†Original notice of the Question was received in Hindi.